## TOWN OF ACTON DESIGN REVIEW BOARD MINUTES OF October 5, 2011 MEETING 7:30 PM Room 126, Town Hall

NEXT COMMITTEE MEETING: Wednesday, 0 ctober 19, 2011 Acton Town Hall, Room 126, 7:30 PM

Present: Ann Sussman (Chair), Holly Ben-Joseph (Vice-Chair), David Honn, Kim Montella (Liaison to Planning Board), Dave Clough (BoS)

Meeting was called to order at 7:38 PM.

Review and approved minutes of the September 7, 2011 DRB Meeting. The Meeting scheduled for Sept. 21, 2100 was cancelled.

## South Acton Train Station Update

David H. briefed the group on the station status: Drawings are 90% complete.

The CPC requested \$150K for landscaping materials including upgrading sidewalk with tinted concrete, upgrading bollards, planting 3 or 4 large specimen trees (firs, spruces, black pines - no white pines!), understory plantings, & granite block seating areas.

DRB suggests some of those funds, if approved at Town Meeting, be set aside for continuous yearly maintenance of landscaping.

Discussed a dedicated space for mobile snack truck in the AM for coffee, etc.

There will be a booth at the 10/16 Acton farmer's market with graphics to educate townspeople on upgrades. RR crossing at Rt. 111 in W est Acton will have a median strip and vehicle & pedestrian gates and scaled back signage. Bidding on project slated for Jan 2012, possible start in April 2010, 18 months+/- for completion.

## Miscellaneous Topics

Discussed briefly NYC Planner (Jeannette Kahn) ideas regarding setting attainable planning goals within specific time frames.

Next Meeting will invite Celia Kent of Acton 20/20 to review Goal 1: Preserve & Enhance Town Character.

Ann briefly went over some positive feedback from developers regarding the DRB's input on their designs.

Meeting adjourned at 9:35 PM.

Respectfully Submitted, Kim Montella Liaison to the Planning Board